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SUBJECT: JUNE 25 CLERIDES-DENKTASH MEETING

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1. SUMMARY. CLERIDES, DENKTASH MEET FOR FIRST TIME SINCE VIENNA TT. RESOLVE THORNY BUT MINOR HUMANITARIAN CASES. DENKTASH UNDERTAKES TO PRESENT PAPERS ON (A) CENTRAL GOVERNMENT POWERS, (B) TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT PRXPOSAL EARLY NEXT WEEK. END SUMMARY.

2. UNSYG SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE LECKMANN HAS BRIEFED ME ON JUNE 25 CLERIDES-DENKTASH MEETING. MEETING, THE FIRST SINCE VIENNA II, LASTED THREE HOURS. AFTER MEETING, CLERIDES AND DENKTASH MADE QUICK TRIP TO CHECK REPORT OF MISSING PERSONS IN LAMBOUSA VILLAGE (HRENIA DISTRICT). (NONE WERE FOUND.)

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3. ACCORDING WECKMANN, CLERIDES AND DEKTASH RESOLVED THORNY EDUCATION ISSUE WHICH HAD ARISEN OVER TFSC THREAT TO EXPEL GREEK CYPRIOT TEACHERS IN KARPASS REGION UNLESS GOC ALLOWED TURK STUDENTS COME NORTH FOR UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAMS (REF FBIS TA 250722JUN NOTAL). IN EVENT, JUNE 25 MEETING PRODUCED AGREEMENT THAT 39 BONA FIO TURK STUDENTS WOULD GO NORTH; TURK SIDE AGREED IN RETURN TO ADMIN 10 NEW GREEK CYPRIOT TEACHERS TO ENCLAVED VILLAGES IN KARPASS. COMMENT. WITH ONLY 10,000 GREEK CYPRIOTS STILL IN NORTH, EDUCATION RIGHTS FOR THESE VILLAGES IS BASIC ISSUE FOR GOC. EFFECTIVE TURKISH USE OF EXPULSION THREAT TO BRING KINSMEN NORTH SHOWS VULNERABILITY OF GOC SIDE THIS REGARD. END COMMENT.

4. DENKTASH, CLERIDES ALSO SETTLED MINOR ISSUES, WHEREBY SOME CARS AND OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY WILL BE RETURNED TO GREEKS IN SOUTH. DENKTASH UNDERTOOK TO PASS (A) PAPER ON HIS TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL, AND (B) EXPERTS DOCUMENT ON POWERS/FUNCTIONS OF CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, TO CLERIDES "EARLY NEXT WEEK".

5. REPORTEDLY, EACH MAN ASSURED THE OTHER THAT THERE NO SUBSTANCE TO NUMEROUS PRESS RUMORS OF "THIRD ROUND", OR OTHER

VIOLENCE, IN CONJUNCTION JULY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS PLANNED BY BOTH SIDES.

6. WECKMANN THINKS IT PROLEMAC WHETHER THERE WILL BE A VIENNA III ON JULY 24. CLERIDES WILL NOT PARTICIPATE UNLESS THERE HAS BEEN TANGIBLE PROGRESS IN THE INTERIM. NEITHER WILL WALDHEIM LEND HIMSELF TO FURTHER SHAM. BOTH NEGOTIATORS ARE VIRTUAL PRISONERS: CLERIDES OF MAKARIOS WHO DOES NOT LIKE THIS NEGOTIATION, AND DENKTASH OF ANKARA. ANKARA IS UNWILLING TAKE POSITIONS AND IS PLAINLY INSTRUCTING DENKTASH TO PLAY FOR TIME WHILE GIVING HIM VERY LITTLE TO DO THIS WITH. UN HEADQUARTERS HEARS INCREASING SPECULATION THAT DEMIREL GOVERNMENT MAY COLLAPSE SOON. AT THIS RATE, WECKMANN COMMENTED, THERE LITTLE PROSPECT OF A SOLUTION FOR A DECADE AT LEAST. WECKMANN SAID HE HAD NO INTENTION OF WAITING AROUND.

7. I REMARKED ON MAKARIOS' STINGING ATTACKS ON CLERIDES
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FOR HIS BEHAVIOR AT VIENNA II. CLERIDES' HAVING BEEN HUMILIATINGLY BEEN ORDERED TO NEW YORK TO EAT HIS WORDS, AND STORY BEING SPREAD BY MAKARIOS THAT CLERIDES SHOULD BE REPLACED AS NEGOTIATOR. I SAID I THOUGHT WHAT WAS AT WORK HERE WAS MAKARIOS' SUSPICION OF A POTENTIAL KARAMANLIS-CLERIDES AXIS BY-PASSING HIM, EVIDENCED IN KARAMANLIS' EXHORTATION TO CLERIDES NOT TO BREAK OFF IN VIENNA. SINCE MAKARIOS COULD NOT READILY, OR AT LEAST NOT YET, ACCUSE KARAMANLIS FRONTALLY

OF SUPPORTING A CYPRUS SOLUTION CONTRARY TO GENERAL HELLENIC INTERESTS, I HYPOTHESIZED THAT HE HAD CHOSEN TO WEAKEN THE CLERIDES END OF THE SUSPECTED AXIS. IN THIS, HE UNFORTUNATELY BEING ALL TOO SUCCESSFUL. IN OUR JUDGEMENT, GREEK CYPRIOT SUPPORT FOR CLERIDES AND CONTINUED NEGOTIATION ERODING WITH INCREASING REPADITY.

8. REFERRING TO TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO, WECKMANN ASKED WHETHER US CONGRESS HAD CONSIDERED OR BEEN TOLD BY THE ADMINISTRATION THAT GREEK COMPLAINTS ABOUT TURKISH USE OF AMERICAN ARMS ARE A CASE OF POT CALLING KETTLE BLACK. HAD NOT 10,000 GREEK TROOPS INTRODUCED WITH GENERAL GRIVAS IN 1964, WHO RESPONSIBLE FOR PRO-LONGED OPPRESSION OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS, BEEN SUPPLIED WITH AMERICAN WEAPONS INTENDED FOR SELF-DEFENSE AND USE IN NATO CONTEXT? COMMENT: WECKMANN'S POINT, WHICH HAD NOT OCCURRED TO US BEFORE, IF BORNE OUT BY FACTS, MIGHT BE OF USE IN CONGRESSIONAL CONTACTS.
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